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E.O. 11652: GOS
TAGS: PINS. AF
SUBJ: NEW AFGHAN GOVERNMENT
REF: KABUL 5197

1. FMBOFF IN MIDDAY DISCUSSION RE AFGHAN COUP WITH
RECEIVED LITTLE NEW INFORMATION ABOUT CURRENT SITUATION
IN KABUL OR PROVINCES BORDERING PAKISTAN.
IMPLICATIONS DAUD BROADCAST STATEMENT
REGARDING PASHTUNISTAN, IN WHICH DAUD SAID AFGHANISTAN'S ONLY
CURRENT FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEM WAS PASHTUNISTAN, AND WHICH HE
FLATLY STATED WOULD BE QUOTE RESOLVED UNQUOTE.
STATEMENT DID NOT RPT NOT INCLUDE NORMAL RGA FORMULATION
ABOUT SETTLING PROBLEM BY QUOTE PEACEFUL MEANS UNQUOTE. HE ADDED
THAT WHILE HE FELT INITIALLY THERE MAY BE NO POLICY CHANGE BY NEW
AFGHAN GOVERNMENT BUSY CONSOLIDATING ITS POWER, ULTIMATELY THERE
WOULD BE A DETERIORATION IN AFGHAN-PAK RELATIONS OVER PASHTUNISTAN.

2. IT OBVIOUS THAT IT INEVITABLY BE WORRIED ABOUT PRINCE
DAUD'S PASHTUNISTAN POLICY, SINCE DAUD AND HIS SUPPORTERS
CHAMPIONED HARD LINE ON PASHTUNISTAN IN EARLY 1960'S (TO
DETREMENT AND ULTIMATE DOWNFALL DAUD); IT LIKELY, THEREFORE,
THAT READING TOO MUCH INTO VERY SKETCHY
DAUD STATEMENT AND THAT IT WILL BE SOME TIME BEFORE ANY
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NEW AFGHAN POLICY ON THIS ISSUE WILL BE MADE KNOWN. WE COUNSEL,
THEREFORE, THAT ADVOCATE WAIT AND SEE
ATTITUDE WITH [] (LONGER ASSESSMENT TELEGRAM TO FOLLOW).
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